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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, which includes the references cited in the accompanying European Search Report issued May 24, 2005 in the corresponding European application.

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It is respectfully requested that this information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that these references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

Respectfully Submitted,

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